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The Transfer deadline has come and gone and I was as frustrated as any of you that Neil Matthews' loan deal with Grimsby was all that I had to show for days of hard negotiating.

The telephone seemed to be welded to my ear at times and if any of you are British Telecom shareholders then I must have done your share price a power of good.

What a tough baptism Neil



Phil Neal Notebook

Matthews was forced into. With T.C. injured and Steve Elliott extremely doubtful after the Swindon game, Neil was thrown in at the deep end at Notts County. I thought he battled hard for us at Meadow Lane and played his part in an excellent team performance. Not many teams have stopped County scoring this season, especially on their own ground where they average close on 3 per game. We did it and could count ourselves unfortunate not to have come away with three points at the end of the day.

It was encouraging to see a big contingent of HB Junior Whites at the game and they, along with the usual band of travelling fans — in my view the best away supporters in the Division — played an important part in our successful day.

I know that many of you have expressed disappointment that we let Jimmy Phillips move on to Glasgow Rangers. Yes, we lost a good player and club man and, Alan Fullelove tells me, the best president the Junior Whites have ever had. We all wish Jimmy well at his new club. On the plus side I received a substantial sum from Rangers which will help strengthen my arm in the transfer market. While I won't be throwing the money around like a man with no arms I do have the chance to compete during the summer months for players who become available.

Action Replay

THE CALDWELL FAMILY IN ACTION

1. Tony Caldwell in a tangle with Walsall defender Peter Hart.
2. Following in father's footsteps. The style looks familiar as Tony Caldwell Junior trots off Burnden Park. Young TC was mascot against Walsall.





Commercial news

NIGHTLINE IS HERE

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Ask your landlord or landlady for details or ask them to contact the Wanderers' Development Office for information about this the new NIGHTLINE scheme.



The Willows Hotel, Willows Lane, staged the first ever draw in the Bolton Wanderers new weekly "Nightline" competition.

Our picture from the left shows. Russell Thomas, landlord, Nat Lofthouse, Alf Davies and Bolton players Mark Gavin and Derek Scott.

Picture by Bolton Evening News

TRAVEL CLUB NEWS

The Wanderers Travel Club is the official way to watch the team away from home.

Membership cost £2.00 and is valid until the end of next season.

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BOLTON

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Burnden Visitors

BEST EVER SEASON FOR WIGAN

By Tony Pullein

This is, with doubt, the most successful season in Wigan's history. They reached the sixth round of the F.A. Cup for the first time and now they have an excellent chance of qualifying for the end-of-season promotion play-offs.

This really is a remarkable achievement for a club, that, after missing promotion by one point

last season, then they lost manager Brian Hamilton and seven members of their successful team!

Both centre-backs, Colin Methven and Steve Walsh, moved on. Midfielders Neil Bailey, Graham Barrow and Tony Kelly all found new clubs as did striker Warren Aspinall. Earlier, striker Mike Newell had joined Luton.

Assistant-manager Ray Mathias was promoted to take charge of things and he appeared to have a hopeless task. And, when Wigan lost their opening four League matches, they seemed doomed to relegation.

Since then a miracle has occurred. Mr Mathias signed many new players but they have knitted together splendidly as a team. One of his key signings was striker Bobby Campbell, who had smashed the Bradford City club record by scoring 96 competitive goals. Now he is Wigan's leading marksman with 14.

Wigan have achieved away League victories at Rotherham (2-0), Port Vale (1-0), Mansfield (5-1), Bury (3-1), Walsall (3-2) and Carlisle (2-0). They drew at York (1-1).

They were beaten at Notts County (0-2), Bristol City (1-2), Blackpool (1-5), Swindon (1-3), Chesterfield (3-4), Bournemouth (1-3), Darlington (0-1) and Bristol Rovers (0-1).

Their F.A. Cup run started with a first round home win over Lincoln (3-1) and continued with



BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Roy Tunks (Assisting Manager), Barry Knowles, Paul Beesley, John Lowey, Nigel Adkins, Mark Schofield, Chris Thompson, Paul Cook, David Bingham (Physiotherapist).

MIDDLE ROW: David Hamilton, Graham Houston, John Butler, Ray Mathias (Manager), Alex Cribble, Ian Griffiths, Paul Jewell.

FRONT ROW: David Lowe, Jimmy Mitchell.

a fine away victory at Darlington (5-0). In round three they achieved a home win over Gillingham (2-1) but they reserved their finest performance for the fourth round clash at home to First Division Norwich City. Wigan won 1-0. In round five they scored an easy 3-0 home win over Hull City.

Their run eventually ended when they were beaten 0-2 at home by Leeds in the quarter-final.

So their dream of reaching Wembley for the second time in three years was shattered. In 1985 they met Brentford in front of almost 40,000 Wembley fans in the final of the Freight-Rover Trophy. Wigan won 3-1.

In this season's Freight-Rover, Wigan qualified for the knockout stage but, after drawing 1-1 at Bury, they lost on penalties.

Their Littlewoods Cup hopes ended in round one with a 1-5 aggregate defeat by Blackburn.

Wigan are the youngest of all Football League clubs, having been elected in 1978.

When the old Wigan Borough club was forced to resign from the Football League, for financial reasons, in 1931, the new Wigan Athletic club embarked upon a campaign to take League status back to Springfield Park. It took them almost half-a-century!

No wonder Wigan, with such fine facilities, felt frustrated. Their Springfield Park Stadium now has a capacity of 15,000. But their record crowd was 27,500 for an F.A. Cup tie against non-League club, Hereford United, in 1953.

Actually, Springfield Park did hold an even bigger crowd — 30,611 attended during the life of the now extinct Wigan Borough.

Wigan entered the Cheshire League in 1932 and won the Championship in three successive seasons in 1934, 1935 and 1936. After the war they switched to the Lancashire Combinations but in 1961 they reverted to the Cheshire League.

They became members of the Northern Premier League in 1968 and won the Championship in 1971 and 1975.

Wigan finished sixth in each of their opening two seasons in the Fourth Division but in 1982 they took third place to gain promotion to Division Three. Now they are hoping for a place in Division Two for the first time.

THE WIGAN SQUAD

RAY MATHIAS (Manager). Ray took over as Wigan's manager last summer and has since built virtually a new team. He was previously assistant-manager to Bryan Hamilton, who moved on to Leicester. He spent his entire playing career with Tranmere Rovers, appearing in several defensive positions. After making his debut in 1968, he made well over 350 League appearances for the club before hanging up his boots in 1983.

ROY TUNKS (Goalkeeper). Roy has been playing League football for almost 20 years, starting with Rotherham in 1967/68. During his Rotherham days, he spent loan periods with York, Ipswich and Newcastle and eventually moved on to Preston in 1974. Wigan signed him in 1981 and he played his 200th League game for them this season.

DAVID HAMILTON (Defender). David, who normally plays in midfield, started his professional career with Sunderland but didn't make their first-team. Blackburn signed him in 1980 and he made well over 100 League appearances for them — and also served Cardiff on loan — before signing for Wigan this season.

ALEX CRIBLE (Defender). Alex began his professional career with Liverpool but didn't get into League football until joining Wigan in 1980. He now looks back on well over 200 games for the club.

ANDY HOLDEN (Defender). Andy was an established League player with Chester until moving on to Wigan this season. He made his Wigan debut against Carlisle at Springfield Park in November.

PAUL BEESLEY (Defender). Paul was signed from Marine Crosby and he was drafted into the Wigan side two seasons ago.

BARRY KNOWLES (Defender). Barry had been doing the rounds in non-League football with Runcorn, Southport, Chorley and Barrow before getting his chance in League football with Wigan two seasons ago.

PAUL COOK (Midfield). Paul, discovered in non-League football, made his League debut in 1984/85 and has won a regular place this season.

PAUL JEWELL (Midfield). Paul was an apprentice with Liverpool but he didn't play in their senior team. He got his chance after joining Wigan in 1984.

MARK HILDITCH (Midfield). Mark, signed from Tranmere at the start of this season, is a versatile player who can play in several positions. Originally with Rochdale, he was their leading scorer in 1981/82. Tranmere signed him in 1983.

IAN GRIFFITHS (Midfield). Ian entered League football with Tranmere in 1979, moving on to Rochdale in 1983. Following a short spell with Port Vale, he joined Wigan in 1985.

DAVID LOWE (Forward). David joined the club as a youngster and got his chance in the senior side in 1982. He has been a fixture in the side since then.

CHRIS THOMPSON (Forward). Chris was signed from Blackburn at the start of the season. He began his League career with Bolton and moved on to Blackburn in 1983, following a loan spell at Lincoln. In 1984/85 he was Blackburn's leading scorer with 15 goals.

BOBBY CAMPBELL (Forward). Bobby was signed from Bradford City in October and is now their leading scorer. He began his career with Aston Villa but, following a loan spell at Halifax, he was transferred to Huddersfield in 1975. Sheffield United signed him in 1977 but he returned to Huddersfield after a few months. Within weeks he was on the books of Halifax and he first joined Bradford City in 1979. They sold him to Derby four years later but he was back at Valley Parade within weeks when Derby failed to maintain transfer payments. During his two spells with Bradford, Bobby established a new club record of 96 goals.

Club News

COLLECTORS CORNER

For tonight's collectors corner we reproduce a copy of the Wanderers programme from the 18th February 1933.

That day the Wanderers entertained Manchester City in the fifth round of the F.A. Cup which attracted Burnden's record gate of 69,912. That beat the previous best by over three thousand, also an F.A. Cup tie against City, played in 1922.

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The "Bull" is the paper for the Home

The twelve page programme cost 1d and articles included The Wanderers Diary, An Old Referee's View and Facts, Figures and Fancies with items of topical interest. In that the writer anticipates that the Burnden record will be broken.

At the time both clubs were struggling in the lower reaches of the First Division.

The Wanderers were in 17th place and City a step lower. Unfortunately the Wanderers

couldn't repeat their League win earlier that season over City and went down 4-2.

Jack Milsom and Ray Westwood were the Bolton goalscorers whilst a hat trick from winger Brook and one from centre forward Tilson won City the tie.

The two sides that day were:

Bolton: Church, Duckworth, Finney, Goslin, Griffiths, Howarth, Edmed, Butler, Milsom, Gibson and Westwood.

City: Langford, Cann, Dale, Busby, Cowan, Bray, Toseland, Marshall, Tilson, Herd and Brook.

Four days later the Wanderers entertained Portsmouth in a First Division fixture and a crowd of 3,101 attended.

PROGRAMME FAIR

The 11th Annual Rochdale Football Programme Fair will take place in the Rochdale Social Club at Spotland on Sunday 26th April from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thousands of programmes both old and new will be available and admission is free.

THE TROTTERS THIRTEEN

The fourth annual Wanderers half marathon will take place this coming Sunday with a 10 a.m. start from Burnden Park. The route is the same as used for last years race in which over 500 runners took part.

This years charity is Vision Aid who help blind and partially sighted children and entry forms are still available from the offices or entry on the day will be taken.

GOAL OF THE SEASON

Tony Caldwell, Steve Elliott, Mark Gavin, Steve Thompson and Warren Joyce caught the judges eyes when it came to selecting the Wanderers Goal of the Season. And the fan who agreed with their choice was Brian Ross of Greenland Road, Farnworth. Brian won two tickets for the Littlewoods Cup Final at Wembley for his selection which matched those of judges Phil Neal, Colin Irwin and Gordon Sharrock of the Bolton Evening News.

BERNARD MANNING TAKES ON BOLTON

Britain's most controversial comedian, Bernard Manning, is in the Executive Club next Thursday, April 16th.

A limited number of tickets are still available at £3.00 each and can be reserved by ringing 0204 389200 during office hours — Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-5.30 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m.-8 p.m. or Saturday 9.30 a.m.-5.30 p.m.



Flashback

PAST ENCOUNTERS

We welcome Wigan Athletic to Burnden Park tonight for the eighth Football League game between the clubs which have all taken place in the third division.

Games between the clubs are invariably close with six of the past encounters being decided by a single goal margin.

The first League game between the sides took place at Springfield Park on Boxing Day 1983. A goal fifteen minutes from time by Jeff Chandler was enough to give the Wanderers the points although in the return game a Steve Johnson goal gave Wigan revenge.

Both clubs won their respective home games in 1984/85 both by a single goal. A Gerry McElhinney own goal giving Wigan the points and a Jeff Chandler penalty proving decisive at Burnden.

Last season each side won away from home. Wigan won 2-1 on New Years Day at Burnden with goals from Mike Newell and Graham Barrow. Steve Thompson netted a penalty for the Wanderers before getting his marching orders for a foul in the 57th minute.

At Springfield Park the Wanderers ended Wigan's home run of 33 games without defeat with a 3-1 win. Asa Hartford, Mark Gavin and Tony Caldwell scored for the Wanderers whilst Colin Methven scored for Wigan, all the goals coming in the second half.

Earlier this season all the goals again came in the second half as Wigan won 2-1.

Chris Thompson and Paul Cook put Wigan in front before Warren Joyce reduced the arrears in the 75th minute with a 25 yard shot. Despite a late rally the Wanderers couldn't save the game.

Wigan have already played at Burnden this season, they won 4-3 back in August in the Lancashire Cup, the Wanderers scoring three second half goals which were not enough to get them into the final.

Our Football League record against Wigan is as follows:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
HOME	3	1	0	2	2	3
AWAY	4	2	0	2	5	4
TOTAL	7	3	0	4	7	7

15 YEARS AGO

1st April 1972. The Wanderers went down 1-0 to Barnsley at Oakwell. The Yorkshire side were next to bottom and their winner came in the sixth minute from George Boardman.

3rd April 1972. A 78th minute goal from John Byrom gave Bolton a well deserved victory over Tranmere Rovers at Burnden.

Kevin McMahon's loan period end's and he returns to York whilst John Hulme returns after a similar period at Notts County.

8th April 1972. A goal five minutes from time by Brian Taylor denies Bolton victory at Walsall, John Byrom had earlier given the Wanderers the lead on a water logged pitch.

10 YEARS AGO

6th April 1977. The Wanderers chances of promotion took a jolt as they went down 3-1 at rivals Nottingham Forest. Martin O'Neill and Peter Withe put Forest ahead before Paul Jones headed home a John Ritson free kick in the 73rd minute.

Ian Bowyer nodded in a corner eight minutes from time to secure the points for Forest.

9th April 1977. Although the Wanderers dominated for long periods it was Sheffield United who took the points with a 2-1 win at Burnden.

Ian Hamilton and a penalty from Keith Edwards put them in front and although the Wanderers pulled a goal back in the 75th minute through Steve Taylor they couldn't save the game.

5 YEARS AGO

3rd April 1982. Bolton's fight against relegation was again hit by misfortune as they drew 1-1 at home to Shrewsbury.

Chris Thompson put Bolton in front in the 25th minute with a spectacular shot and Shrewsbury equalised in the dying seconds from an Ian Atkins penalty. Peter Reid made his comeback, seven months after breaking his leg, and it was Reid that the referee adjudged to have handled.

Gerry McElhinney received a one match ban after going over 20 points and would miss Bolton's relegation clash with Wrexham.



Wanderers IN A



1. Steve Elliott slots in the late winner against Walsall and 2. is congratulated by fellow striker Tony Caldwell.

Pics Bolton Evening News.



Fact File

ASA'S TITLE ON THE LINE

Asa Hartford was voted Development Association Player of the Year for 1985/86 and the time has come to cast your votes for this season.

We all have our particular favourite — the guy who gives us that extra buzz whenever he gets the ball — so don't miss this chance to recognise your Player of the Year. Official voting forms are available now in the Development Office and the award will be presented on Wednesday, May 13th in the Executive Suite.

A big cabaret night has been booked for the event starring the very popular Ricky Livid and his Rock and Roll All Stars. Tickets are on sale now at £3.00 with a special discount for Agents who can buy tickets at just £1.00 each.

SEASON'S RESULTS TO DATE

HOME	AWAY	Blackpool	Bolton	Bournemouth	Brentford	Bristol City	Bristol Rovers	Bury	Carlisle	Chester	Chesterfield	Darlington	Doncaster	Fulham	Gillingham	Mansfield	Middlesbrough	Newport	Notts County	Port Vale	Rotherham	Swindon	Walsall	Wigan	York City
Blackpool	—	1-1	2-0	1-0	6-1	1-1	1-2	0-0								1-2	0-1	1-1	3-1	2-0	1-0	1-1	1-1	5-1	2-1
Bolton	1-0	—	0-1	0-2	2-2	2-3		1-1	1-2	4-3				3-2	3-0	0-1		0-1	1-1	3-0	0-0	1-2	1-0		3-1
Bournemouth	1-1	2-1	—	1-1	2-0		1-0	2-1	2-0	2-0	1-0	3-2	3-2	0-2	4-1	3-1	2-1	3-0				1-0		3-1	3-0
Brentford	1-1	1-2	1-1	—	1-1	1-2	0-2	3-1		2-2	5-3		3-3	3-2	3-1	0-1	2-0	1-0	0-2				0-1		3-1
Bristol City	3-1	4-1	2-0		—	0-1	2-2	3-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	5-0				0-0	2-2	4-0			0-1		2-1	2-1	3-0
Bristol Rovers	2-2	1-0	0-3			—	1-1			3-2				0-0		0-0	1-2	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-2		0-3	1-0	1-0
Bury			0-1	1-1			—	0-0	1-1			2-0	2-0	2-1	1-0	1-1	0-3	4-3	0-2	2-2	0-2	1-2	4-0	1-3	0-1
Carlisle United	3-1	0-0		0-0	1-2	2-0	2-1	—				1-0	1-0	1-3	2-4	1-2		2-2	0-2	2-0	3-5		0-3	0-2	2-2
Chester	1-4	0-0	2-2	1-1	0-3	3-1	0-1	2-2	—	1-1	6-0	1-0	2-2	1-1	1-1			2-0	1-2			2-0	0-0		2-1
Chesterfield	1-1	0-0	1-1		0-3	1-1	1-1	3-2		—			4-1	3-1	1-0	0-1	2-1	3-2	1-2	2-4	2-1	1-3	3-2	4-3	
Darlington	1-1	0-1	0-3	1-1	0-0	1-1		0-1	1-0	1-1		—	2-2		1-1	2-1	0-1	1-3	2-1	3-2				1-0	2-2
Doncaster R.	2-2	3-0	0-3	2-0	1-0		0-0	2-0	1-1		0-0	—	2-1	2-0	1-0			0-1	1-2	2-1	3-0	2-2	1-1		3-1
Fulham	0-1	4-2		1-2	0-3	2-2	2-1	3-0	0-5		3-1	0-0	—	2-2	1-1	2-2		3-1	0-6	1-1	0-2	2-2			
Gillingham	2-1		2-1	2-0	1-1	4-1	1-0	1-0	1-2	3-0	4-1			—	2-0	0-0	1-1	3-1	0-0	1-0	1-3	4-0			2-0
Mansfield	1-1	2-2	1-1	1-0		5-0	1-3	2-0	2-3	1-1		2-1		1-0	—	1-1	1-0		1-1	0-0	1-0		1-5	1-1	
Middlesbrough	1-3	0-0	4-0		1-0	1-0	3-1	1-0	1-2	2-0		1-0	3-0			—	2-0	2-0	2-2	0-0		1-0	3-1		
Newport C.			0-1		0-1		2-2	1-1	2-2	1-0		3-2	0-0	1-2	0-3	0-1	—	1-1	0-2	1-2	2-2				1-1
Notts County	3-2	0-0	1-1		2-0	3-0				2-1	2-2	3-1	2-3	3-1	0-0	1-0	5-2	—	4-1	5-0		2-1	2-0	5-1	
Port Vale	1-6	1-1		4-1	0-0	4-1	2-0		2-1	2-2		4-2	0-1	1-2		0-0		1-1	—	1-1	3-4	4-1	0-1	2-3	
Rotherham		1-0	4-2	2-3	2-0	0-1	2-1		3-0	0-1	0-0		0-0	0-1	2-2	1-4		1-1	1-1	—	1-2	1-0	0-2	0-0	
Swindon	2-6	2-0		2-0	1-2	1-2	1-0	2-0	1-1	2-1			2-0				1-0	3-0	1-2	1-0	2-0	—	3-1	3-1	
Walsall	2-1	3-3	2-0	5-2		0-3					4-2	1-3	1-1		2-0	1-0		2-0			4-1	1-0	—	2-3	3-2
Wigan Athletic	4-1	2-1		1-1	3-1	4-3		2-0	2-2	1-1	1-1	1-1	2-0	3-1		0-2	1-2	1-0			2-1	3-2	5-1	—	
York City			2-0	2-1	1-1	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-1	3-1	1-1	1-1	2-1	1-3	3-1				2-1	0-3	1-5	1-1	—		

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Postie's Page

This is the column reserved for your comments, suggestions or criticisms.

If you have anything to say about any aspect of Bolton Wanderers or football in general, write to: Postie's Page, Bolton Wanderers F.C., Burnden Park, Bolton.

Dear Postie,
I think the Club made a mistake letting George Oghani go on loan. Also, in my opinion Jimmy Phillips should not have gone when we need all the players to fight for us.

I have been a fan for thirty years but we will not be coming to Burnden again if you let players like Dave Sutton and Mark Gavin leave. In fact Dave Sutton deserves a long contract for playing so well.

Yours sincerely,
Burnden Terrace Fans.

PROGRAMME FAIR

Dear Postie,
Would you mention the 1987 Burnley Programme Fair in your programme. This takes place at the Centre Spot Social Club, Turf Moor, Burnley on Sunday, May 3rd between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. and admission is FREE.

Yours,
Ray Lord and Michael Rumney.

Spot the Difference



Can you spot the 10 differences between the two pictures?

Junior Whites

The last HB Junior Whites meeting takes place in the Executive Club on Monday, April 27th at 6.30 p.m.

And with voting for the Player of the Year completed at last night's meeting, we all wait with baited breath to see who the Junior Whites' favourite is. We hope to have a very special guest present at the meeting to present the coveted award.

Our trip to Notts County was a great success and included an interesting visit to the new Water Park where we saw a display of canoe slalom racing through the rapids.

TONIGHT'S MASCOT

Tonight we welcome James Carter of Stockport as our mascot. James (9) was mascot two years ago and helped us to a 3-0 win over Rotherham.

His favourite players are Tony Caldwell, Mark Gavin and Derek Scott who he cheers from the Manchester Road Stand where he is a season ticket holder.



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Reserve Report

16th March 1987

Bolton Wanderers Reserves 0 Preston North End Reserves 0

The Wanderers reserves could be more than pleased with their performance against a star studded Preston side at Burnden. The visitors included no less than six former Wanderers players with Frank Worthington being the most notable.

Neither side really took command of the first forty-five minutes and it wasn't until late in the half that either Kevin Mailey or David Brown were tested.

The second half was a different story with the Wanderers dominating, Kevin Mailey not having a save to make, whilst the experienced David Brown produced a number of good saves.

Ian Stevens saw a number of chances fall his way but on each occasion Brown denied him the pleasure of scoring against his old club.

Team: Mailey, Hughes, Clarke, Callaghan, Welsh, Winstanley, Banks, Stevens, Griffin, Allen, Brookman. Sub. Raven Senior.

18th March 1987

Notts County Reserves 3 Bolton Wanderers Reserves 0

After kicking off 55 minutes late due to the coach breaking down and having to change on the coach whilst travelling, it was little surprise that the Wanderers weren't in the right frame of mind for this game.

After some good performances of late they failed to test a struggling County side and fell behind in the 8th minute with a scrambled goal from Russell Slade.

The Wanderers battled hard without ever really testing the County keeper and went two down in the 63rd minute through Wayne Moran. Slade netted County's third goal in the 82nd minute with a looping header whilst the Wanderers best chance was a Steve Thompson shot that struck the foot of a post.

The Wanderers were caught offside on numerous occasions with the experienced Tristan Benjamin marshalling the County defence to good effect.

Team: Mailey, Hughes, Cooke, Thompson, Welsh, Winstanley, Brookman, Allen, Stevens, Senior, Mullineux. Subs: Clarke for Mullineux. Griffin.

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Aug 23 Swindon Town	1-2	5,684	Salmon
Aug 26 Bury (LC1 1U)	*1-2	3,217	Neal†
Aug 30 Bristol Rovers	0-1	4,092	Salmon
Sep 8 Darlington	4-0	3,952	Salmon
Sep 8 Bury (LC1 2L)	0-0	4,330	Salmon
Sep 13 AFC Bournemouth	2-2	3,031	Salmon
Sep 16 Fulham	2-4	2,434	Salmon
Sep 20 Port Vale	3-0	4,872	Salmon
Sep 26 Wigan Athletic	3-0	4,986	Salmon
Sep 30 Chesterfield	1-2	3,931	Salmon
Oct 4 Notts County	1-2	4,249	Salmon
Oct 11 Walsall	1-0	4,249	Salmon
Oct 18 Rotherham United	0-1	3,430	Salmon
Oct 21 Blackpool	0-1	6,534	Salmon
Oct 25 Chester City	1-1	4,607	Salmon
Oct 28 Brentford	2-1	3,522	Salmon
Nov 4 Middlesbrough	0-0	10,096	Salmon
Nov 8 Newport County	0-1	4,530	Salmon
Nov 15 Halifax Town (FAC1)	1-1	3,370	Farnworth
Nov 18 Halifax Town (FAC1R)	1-1	4,652	Salmon
Nov 22 Mansfield Town	2-2	3,096	Salmon
Nov 24 Halifax Town (FAC12R)	3-1	3,338	Salmon
Nov 29 York City	3-0	4,328	Salmon
Dec 6 Blackpool (F.R.T.)	2-0	6,193	Salmon
Dec 13 Gillingham	2-0	4,867	Salmon
Dec 16 Burnley (F.R.T.)	2-0	1,464	Salmon
Dec 20 Bristol City	1-4	8,028	Salmon
Dec 26 Bury	2-3	10,135	Salmon
Dec 27 Doncaster Rovers	0-1	3,301	Salmon
Jan 3 Mansfield Town	0-3	5,058	Salmon
Jan 10 Coventry City (FAC3)	0-1	12,044	Salmon
Jan 17 Bristol Rovers	2-2	4,087	Salmon
Jan 20 Burnley (FRT)	Δ1-1	2,636	Salmon
Jan 27 AFC Bournemouth	2-1	3,698	Salmon
Feb 3 Walsall	0-0	2,519	Salmon
Feb 6 Fulham	3-2	4,128	Salmon
Feb 10 Chester City (FRT)	1-2	3,900	Salmon
Feb 14 Port Vale	1-1	3,628	Salmon
Feb 18 Darlington	1-0	1,464	Salmon
Feb 28 Chesterfield	0-0	3,202	Salmon
Mar 3 Brentford	0-2	3,563	Salmon
Mar 7 Chester City	0-0	2,764	Salmon
Mar 14 Rotherham United	0-0	3,748	Salmon
Mar 21 Blackpool	1-1	4,717	Salmon
Mar 28 Walsall	1-0	4,308	Salmon
Mar 30 Swindon Town	0-2	8,110	Salmon
Apr 4 Newport County	0-2	3,771	Salmon
Apr 7 Wigan Athletic	1-2	1,193	Salmon
Apr 11 Middlesbrough			
Apr 18 Carlisle United			
Apr 20 Bury			
Apr 25 Bristol City			
May 2 York City			
May 4 Doncaster Rovers			
May 9 Gillingham			

1	Salmon	Phillips	Neal†	Thompson	Gavin	Sutton	Elliott	Harford	Oghani†	Joyce•
2	Salmon	Phillips	Neal	Winstanley	Gavin	Sutton	Elliott	Phillips†	Oghani	Came Caldwell
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10	Salmon	Winstanley	Neal	Came	Darby	Thompson	Elliott	Caldwell†	Phillips	Winstanley•
11	Salmon	Winstanley	Neal	Came	Darby	Thompson	Elliott	Caldwell†	Phillips	Darby•
12	Salmon	Winstanley	Neal	Came	Darby	Thompson	Elliott	Caldwell†	Phillips	Phillips•

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THE TODAY LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

(Up to and including Sunday 5th April 1987)

	Goals							Goals						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AFC Bournemouth	38	16	2	1	39	14	7	6	6	23	23	77		
Swindon Town	36	13	1	4	33	16	8	5	5	28	21	69		
Middlesbrough	37	12	4	2	29	10	8	5	6	23	18	69		
Notts County	38	13	4	1	45	16	6	6	8	21	27	67		
Bristol City	37	11	5	2	35	11	7	5	7	20	18	64		
Gillingham	37	14	4	2	37	13	5	3	9	20	27	64		
Wigan Athletic	35	12	5	2	40	22	7	1	8	26	27	63		
Blackpool	37	8	6	3	29	14	5	7	8	36	33	52		
Mansfield Town	38	6	8	4	23	20	6	7	7	20	25	51		
Walsall	34	10	3	3	34	22	4	4	10	23	34	49		
Chesterfield	38	10	5	5	34	30	2	8	8	16	26	49		
Bury	39	8	5	7	25	24	4	6	9	20	25	47		
Rotherham United	39	7	6	7	22	21	5	5	9	18	28	47		
Chester City	36	6	9	4	28	22	4	7	6	23	25	46		
Port Vale	37	6	6	7	33	30	5	5	8	25	26	44		
Brentford	36	8	5	6	33	27	3	6	8	17	28	44		
Doncaster Rovers	36	10	6	3	28	15	1	4	12	17	36	43		
York City	38	9	6	3	26	22	1	5	14	18	43	41		
Bolton Wanderers	38	7	4	7	26	22	2	9	9	16	29	40		
Fulham	37	5	7	6	26	35	3	8	8	21	30	39		
Bristol Rovers	35	4	7	4	12	17	5	4	11	22	42	38		
Newport County	37	3	7	8	18	26	4	4	11	21	38	32		
Carlisle United	36	6	5	8	23	29	2	3	12	10	30	32		
Darlington	35	5	9	5	19	22	0	6	10	16	38	30		

CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

			Goals	
Date		Opponents	F	A
1986				
Aug	27	Grimsby Town	1	2
Sept	3	Wigan Athletic	2	2
	10	Port Vale	2	1
	15	Preston North End	0	5
	24	Doncaster Rovers	0	1
Oct	1	York City	2	0
	8	Notts County	2	2
	15	Blackpool	6	1
	22	Rotherham United	3	3
	28	Bradford City	1	2
Nov	5	Barnsley	1	1
	12	Stoke City	1	2
	26	Huddersfield Town	0	4
Dec	3	Darlington	2	2
	11	West Bromwich Albion	1	1

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CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

			Goals	
Date	Opponents		F	A
1987				
Jan	28	Port Vale	2	2
Feb	4	Doncaster Rovers	4	2
	18	Scunthorpe United	2	2
	25	Huddersfield Town	1	3
Mar	4	Rotherham United	2	0
	11	Blackpool	3	3
	16	Preston North End	0	0
	18	Notts County	0	3
	25	York City	1	0
	30	Stoke City	0	1
April	1	Barnsley	1	4
	7	Bradford City		
	15	Darlington		
May	30	Wigan Athletic		
	6	W. Bromwich Albion		
	11	Scunthorpe United		

To be arranged
Grimsby Town
HOME MATCHES
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Teamsheet

BOLTON WANDERERS

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1. DAVID FELGATE
2. DEREK SCOTT
3. PHIL NEAL
4. WARREN JOYCE
5. DAVE SUTTON
6. MARK CAME
7. IAN STEVENS
8. STEVE THOMPSON
9. STEVE ELLIOTT
10. ASA HARTFORD
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WIGAN ATHLETIC

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1. NIGEL ADKINS
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6. PAUL BEESLEY
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